

Docket No. JJM5002USPCT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Breda M. Cullen, et al.

For : WOUND DRESSING MATERIALS COMPRISING COMPLEXES OF
ANIONIC POLYSACCHARIDES WITH SILVER

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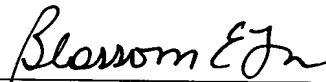
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		WO	87/05517	A1	Bio-Technology General Corp.	09/24/1987		
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